

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 28, 2007
6:30 P.M.

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, June 28, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, with Mayor Rushing presiding.

Council Members Present: Danny Hudspeth, Jason Pittman, Pete Lancaster, Jeremy Bell, Dan Miller, Linda Cherry, Robert Billington, David Ramey, Jane Brandon, Butch Seargent, Pat Scott, and Bill Wells.

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Ken Claud, Michael Skinner, J. L. Barnett, Don Rogers, Thomas Clendenen, Dennis Thompson, Candace Dowdy, Philip Morris, Carol Roberts, Matt Mattingly, Gail Mullins, Harla McClure, and Michael Pitman.

Minutes of the council meeting held June 14, 2007, were presented for approval. **Mr. Billington moved, seconded by Mr. Scott,** to approve the minutes as written. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for a voice vote, which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Ordinance Number 2006-1443 (second reading) an ordinance rezoning a 1.60 acre tract of land located at 1003 North 4th Street and owned by Vicki Jo Brandon from R-2 (single family residential) to PO (professional office) was presented to the council on a second reading. The Murray Planning Commission recommended said rezoning based on the finding that there have been significant changes in the area of an economic, physical, and social nature that was not anticipated in the community's comprehensive plan which have substantially altered the basic character of the area in particular the Bee Creek Soccer Complex and the Government and Industrial zoning surrounding the area. **Mr. Billington moved, seconded by Mr. Hudspeth** to adopt said ordinance. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Pete Lancaster, Jason Pittman, Jeremy Bell, Dan Miller, Jane Brandon, Linda Cherry, Robert Billington, David Ramey, Butch Seargent, Pat Scott, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Ordinance Number 2007-1443 adopted on a second reading and recorded in Ordinance Book Number 7, Page _____.

Recommendation from the Murray Planning Commission authorizing the city attorney to draft an ordinance zoning as R-4 (multi-family residential) a 1.472 acre tract of land and a 0.152 portion of right-of-way located at 170 Utterback Road was presented to the council for approval. Said property is owned by Keith and Hazel Brandon and received said

recommendation based on the following findings: 1) the property is contiguous to an R-4 zoning district to the east; and 2) the property owner requested R-4 zoning as the property is being used as rental property. **Mr. Billington moved, seconded by Mr. Seargent** to approve said recommendation. With no discussion Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Pete Lancaster, Jason Pittman, Jeremy Bell, Jane Brandon, Linda Cherry, Robert Billington, David Ramey, Butch Seargent, Pat Scott, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: Dan Miller.

Mayor Rushing declared said recommendation approved.

Municipal Order 2007-010 reappointing Dave McMillen to the Electric Plant Board for a four year term to expire June 30, 2011. **Mr. Billington moved, seconded by Mr. Wells** to approve said municipal order.

With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Municipal Order 2007-011 reappointing Kate Reeves to the City of Murray Tourism Commission as a representative of the hotel/motel association for a three year term to expire June 30, 2010. **Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Mr. Lancaster** to approve said municipal order.

With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Municipal Order 2007-012 reappointing Priyesh Nathu to the City of Murray Tourism Commission as a representative of the Mayor's office for a three year term to expire June 30, 2010. **Mr. Lancaster moved, seconded by Mr. Bell** to approve said municipal order.

With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mayor Rushing recognized Bill Wells, Chairman of the Finance/Personnel Committee, and requested that he provide a report. Mr. Wells stated that the committee met to discuss a Real Estate Sale and Purchase Agreement. The Agreement is for property located on 641 North and owned by Paul Garland. The reason the committee is recommending that the Council approve authorizing the Mayor enter into this Agreement is to allow for the possibility of constructing a fire department substation to service the North end of town.

Mr. Scott moved, as unanimously recommended by the Finance/Personnel Committee, to authorize the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to purchase property located on 641 North from Paul Garland. **Mr. Wells seconded the motion.** With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the

motion.

Mr. Wells stated that Mr. Hudspeth needed to recuse himself for the next vote since he bid on the contract to be discussed. Mr. Wells stated that bids were requested from several companies for janitorial services; detailing police cruisers; general construction needs of the City; and pulmonary function and SCBA fit testing for the fire department. Mr. Wells stated that all of the successful bidders were either city employees or council member. **Mr. Wells moved, as unanimously recommended by the Finance/Personnel Committee** to accept the low bid for janitorial services from Professional Office Cleaning, which is owned by Danny Hudspeth; the low bid from Jeff Liles, who is a city employee, for detailing the police cruisers; the low bid from J. L. Barnett, a city employee, for general contractor needs of the City; and the low bid from Kenneth Reynolds, a city employee, for pulmonary function and SCBA fit testing for the fire department. **Mr. Billington seconded the motion.** With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mayor Rushing recognized Dan Miller, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, and requested that he provide a report. Dr. Miller stated the committee met to discuss various projects for the City. He stated the paving budget for the upcoming fiscal year is down slightly and varies yearly. The budget is composed of monies derived from state gas tax and is approximately \$230,000. Dr. Miller stated that in the past the funds had been used to construct turn lanes. The committee looked at some projects that had been submitted: 1) 19th and Main; 2) 18th & College Farm Road; 3) 12th and Poplar; and 4) 16th and Poplar. **Dr. Miller moved, as unanimously recommended by the Transportation Committee**, to conduct an engineering study on each of these areas to see which turn lane will best benefit the community and to allocate \$200,000 for paving for the 07-08 fiscal year. **Mr. Bell seconded the motion.** With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Dr. Miller also stated that the committee is sending a letter to the Department of Transportation regarding the stop light at 6th and Main. He stated the committee is going to request that the state review the possibility of making the light a flashing light after hours and on weekends to allow traffic on Main Street continuous flow.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

H. Thomas Rushing, Mayor

Attest:

Harla McClure, City Clerk